WHO norms on hospitals

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state.

(a) whether the WHO has laid down any norms for health sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether all hospitals in the country comply with the said norms, and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI) (a) to (d) WHO has laid down norms covering various aspects concerning the health sector. In particular, WHO has developed standards for pharmaceutical products like vaccines, drugs, etc. However, no WHO norms have been made available for hospital management or administration.

Staff shortage in AIIMS

†4751. PROF RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Doctors-patients ratio in AIIMS, New Delhi is extra ordinary disproportionate, if so, the department-wise details thereof;

(b) whether the responsibility to look after the patients remains with junior doctors and nurses whereas senior doctors seldom get time to visit wards;

(c) whether senior doctors stay in foreign countries after proceeding on long leave and carry out private practice there, which effects the working of the hospitals;

(d) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, department-wise; and

(e) the action being taken by Government to improve the working of this hospital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) No, Sir.

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(b) The roles, responsibilities and work schedules of the doctors and nurses are well defined. Insofar as Junior Residents are concerned, they are responsible for work up of the patients and day-to-day monitoring of the patient care activities in wards, OPD and casualty departments. The Senior Residents besides patient care responsibility also supervise the work of Junior Residents. The faculty has the overall responsibility for different clinical departments in all the areas of patient care including OT services in surgical disciplines. The faculty and Senior Residents divide their time for teaching, research and patient care, depending upon exigencies of work.

(c) to (d) The Government is not aware of such practice. The faculty goes abroad to attend seminars, workshop for their professional development, and foreign assignment only with prior permission of the competent authority.

(e) The efforts to further improve the functioning of AIIMS is an ongoing exercise and suitable steps have been taken from time to time in this regard.

Hepatitis-B Vaccination

†4752. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are satisfied with the progress of polio Eradication Campaign being run in the country;

(b) whether Government are aware of the fact that a number of children are deprived of the Hepatitis-B Vaccine in the country despite of its being very essential for the children;

(c) if so, whether Government are considering to run Hepatitis-B vaccination campaign together with the Polio Eradication Camp with the help of State Governments; and

(d) if so, whether Government would consider to contact the WHO for the financial assistance for the success of the campaign?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes, Sir. Government is satisfied with the progress of Polio Eradication Campaign being run in the country. There has been a significant decline in the number of polio cases over the past years. The number of cases has declined steadily

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